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Applicant #1, Name: Donald Jeffrey Bontwright

Applicant #2, Name: _____

Title: The Card Slot

☒ Specification, Claims, and Abstract: Nr. of Sheets 7

☒ Declaration: Date Signed: 2002, Feb 20

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☒ Applicant Qualifies for and Claims Small Entity Status

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☒ **Request Under MPEP § 707.07(j):** The undersigned, a pro se applicant, respectfully requests that if the Examiner finds patentable subject matter disclosed in this application, but feels that Applicant's present claims are not entirely suitable, the Examiner draft one or more allowable claims for applicant.

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Very respectfully,

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